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The undersigned attorney, and attorney of record for the above-captioned application, respectfully requests that he be advised of the present status of the above-captioned application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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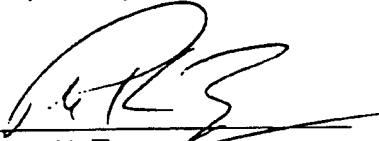
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1. Status Request.

APPLICANT CLAIMS SMALL ENTITY STATUS. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the above-identified patent application or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 50-0235.

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